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IN THE MATTER OF US WEST  
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COMPLIANCE WITH § 271 OF THE  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996

Docket No. T-00000A-97-238

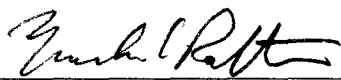
**JOINDER OF COX ARIZONA TELCOM, L.L.C. IN JOINT  
RESPONSE TO JOINT MOTION OF STAFF AND US WEST  
FOR WORKSHOPS ON REMAINING SECTION 271 ISSUES**

Cox Arizona Telcom, L.L.C. ("Cox") joins in the Joint Response to the Joint Motion filed by AT&T *et al.*

Cox generally agrees with the position set forth in the Joint Response. Cox believes that the remaining Section 271 issues should be addressed through a collaborative process with resolution of disputed issues by the Hearing Division (as set forth in the December 8, 1999 procedural order in this docket). However, Cox is particularly concerned with: (i) the overly-aggressive schedule proposed in the Joint Motion, (ii) the potential double- or triple-tracking of several critical dockets (the 271 docket, the US West rate case and the US West broadband restructuring docket); and (iii) the unnecessary push to resolve these issues many months before OSS testing is completed, which may lead to stale results that need revisiting. Cox believes that a less intensive schedule designed to resolve the remaining Section 271 issues by next spring – which is still timely – will result in more thorough and considered decisions on the most critical Section 271 issues.

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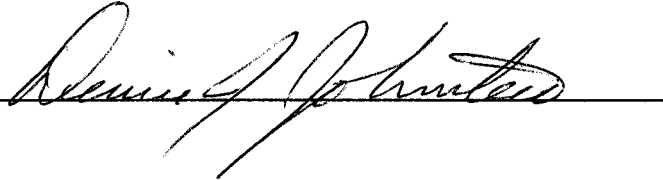
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